

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex Sheriff's Office



MEMORANDUM

To: Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian

From: PREA Coordinator Regina Faticanti

Re: 2022 PREA Aggregated

In accordance with 115.88 Data Review for Corrective Action, the MSO completes an annual report in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of reduction of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Through training in prevention, detection and response our policies and practices provide great assistance in completing the elimination of such acts.

The MSO may redact specific material from this and future PREA reports when the publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the facility. Any redacted material must have a general statement to indicate that the material has been removed from the report.

The timeline for data collected shown in the below graph below is calendar year 2021.

During this time period there were a total of one (1) <u>Inmate on Inmate</u> Nonconsensual Sexual Acts-allegations down from seven (7) in the previous year, one (1) substantiated.

During this time period there were a total of twelve (12) <u>Inmate on Inmate</u> Sexual Abuseallegations up from eight (8) in the previous year, four (4) are substantiated, five (5) unsubstantiated, and three (3) unfounded.

During this time period there were a total of nine (9) <u>Inmate on Inmate</u> Sexual Harassment allegations, same as last year, one (1) substantiated, four (4) were unsubstantiated, and four (4) unfounded.

During this time period there were one (1) <u>Staff on Inmate Sexual Harassment</u> allegations up from zero (0) in the previous year. One (1) unfounded.

During this time period there were a total of three (3) <u>Staff Sexual Misconduct Allegations</u> up one (1) in the previous year. All three (3) was unfounded.

Category	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Total
Inmate-Inmate Non-				
Consensual Sexual	1	0	0	1
Acts				
Inmate-Inmate	1	5	3	12
Sexual Abuse	4	5	5	12
Inmate-Inmate	1	4	4	9
Sexual Harassment				
Staff-Inmate Sexual	0	0	1	1
Harassment				
Staff Sexual	0	0	2	2
Misconduct	0	0	5	3
Total	6	9	11	26

Aggregated data on Sexual Abuse Allegations and Comparison to Prior Use

The MSO has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse. As such every allegation, report and/or discovery of sexual activity is investigated as if a PREA event occurred. Only after a full investigation are events defined as PREA violation or otherwise (i.e., consensual but unauthorized sexual activity that does not quality as PREA).